

FIG. 3 is a schematic diagram of a multi-stage optical switch system. The system includes a series of optical switches (12a, 12b, ..., 12m) and a wavelength converting switch (30). The system is controlled by a Switch Controller (20) and a Protection Switch Controller (50). The diagram shows the internal structure of the optical switches, including waveguides (16a, 16b, ..., 16n+1) and phase shifters (PS). The wavelength converting switch (30) has K input/output ports and R wavelength conversion units. The system also includes a drop output (36) and an add output (34). The diagram is labeled Fig. 3.

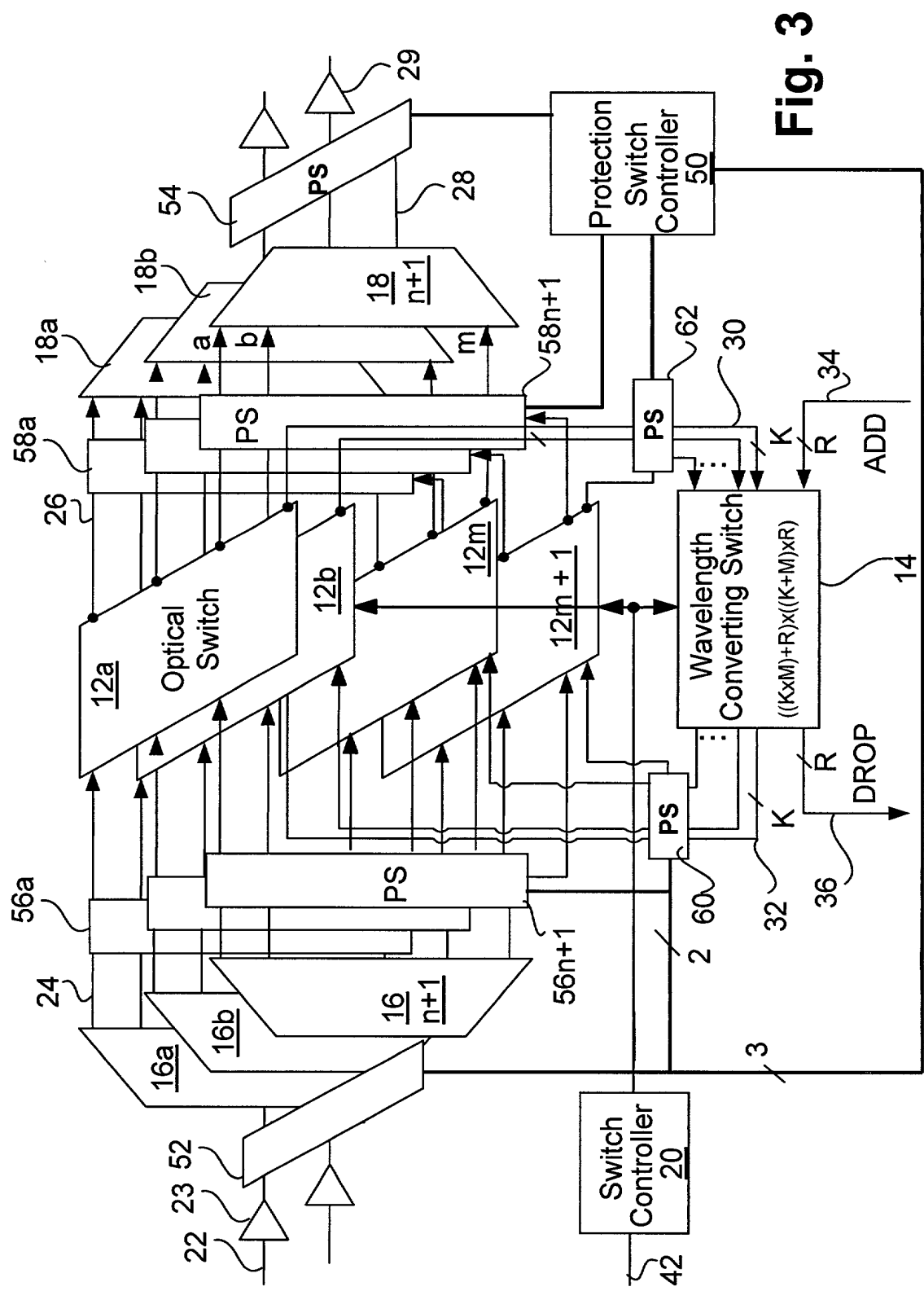


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FIG. 4 is a schematic diagram of a system 50 for processing data. The system 50 includes a plurality of input devices 70, 72, 74, 76a, 76c, 76m, 78a, 78m, 80a, 80m, 82a, 82m, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 103, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 448, 450, 452, 454, 456, 458, 460, 462, 464, 466, 468, 470, 472, 474, 476, 478, 480, 482, 484, 486, 488, 490, 492, 494, 496, 498, 500, 502, 504, 506, 508, 510, 512, 514, 516, 518, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 532, 534, 536, 538, 540, 542, 544, 546, 548, 550, 552, 554, 556, 558, 560, 562, 564, 566, 568, 570, 572, 574, 576, 578, 580, 582, 584, 586, 588, 590, 592, 594, 596, 598, 600, 602, 604, 606, 608, 610, 612, 614, 616, 618, 620, 622, 624, 626, 628, 630, 632, 634, 636, 638, 640, 642, 644, 646, 648, 650, 652, 654, 656, 658, 660, 662, 664, 666, 668, 670, 672, 674, 676, 678, 680, 682, 684, 686, 688, 690, 692, 694, 696, 698, 700, 702, 704, 706, 708, 710, 712, 714, 716, 718, 720, 722, 724, 726, 728, 730, 732, 734, 736, 738, 740, 742, 744, 746, 748, 750, 752, 754, 756, 758, 760, 762, 764, 766, 768, 770, 772, 774, 776, 778, 780, 782, 784, 786, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 798, 800, 802, 804, 806, 808, 810, 812, 814, 816, 818, 820, 822, 824, 826, 828, 830, 832, 834, 836, 838, 840, 842, 844, 846, 848, 850, 852, 854, 856, 858, 860, 862, 864, 866, 868, 870, 872, 874, 876, 878, 880, 882, 884, 886, 888, 890, 892, 894, 896, 898, 900, 902, 904, 906, 908, 910, 912, 914, 916, 918, 920, 922, 924, 926, 928, 930, 932, 934, 936, 938, 940, 942, 944, 946, 948, 950, 952, 954, 956, 958, 960, 962, 964, 966, 968, 970, 972, 974, 976, 978, 980, 982, 984, 986, 988, 990, 992, 994, 996, 998, 1000.

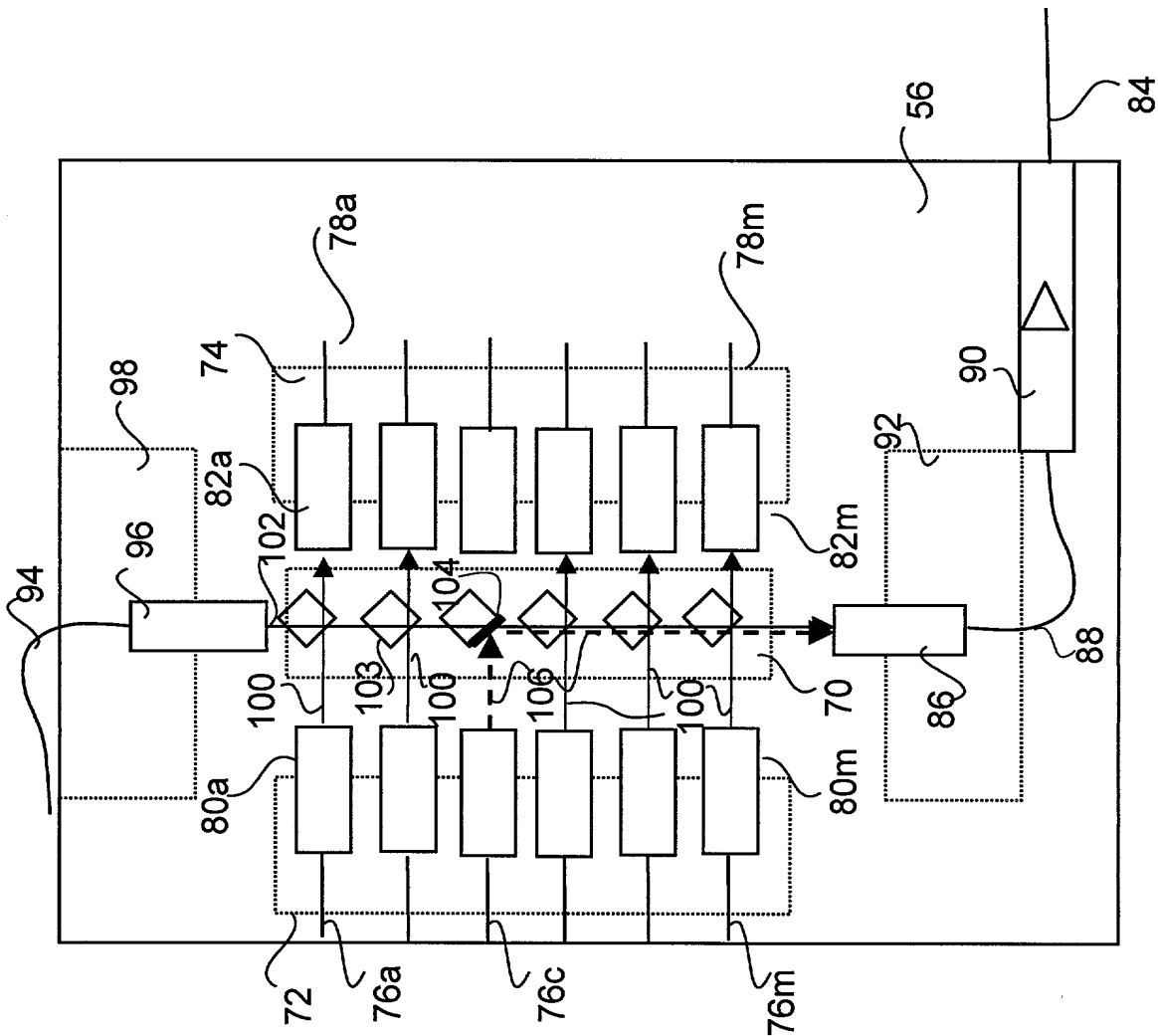
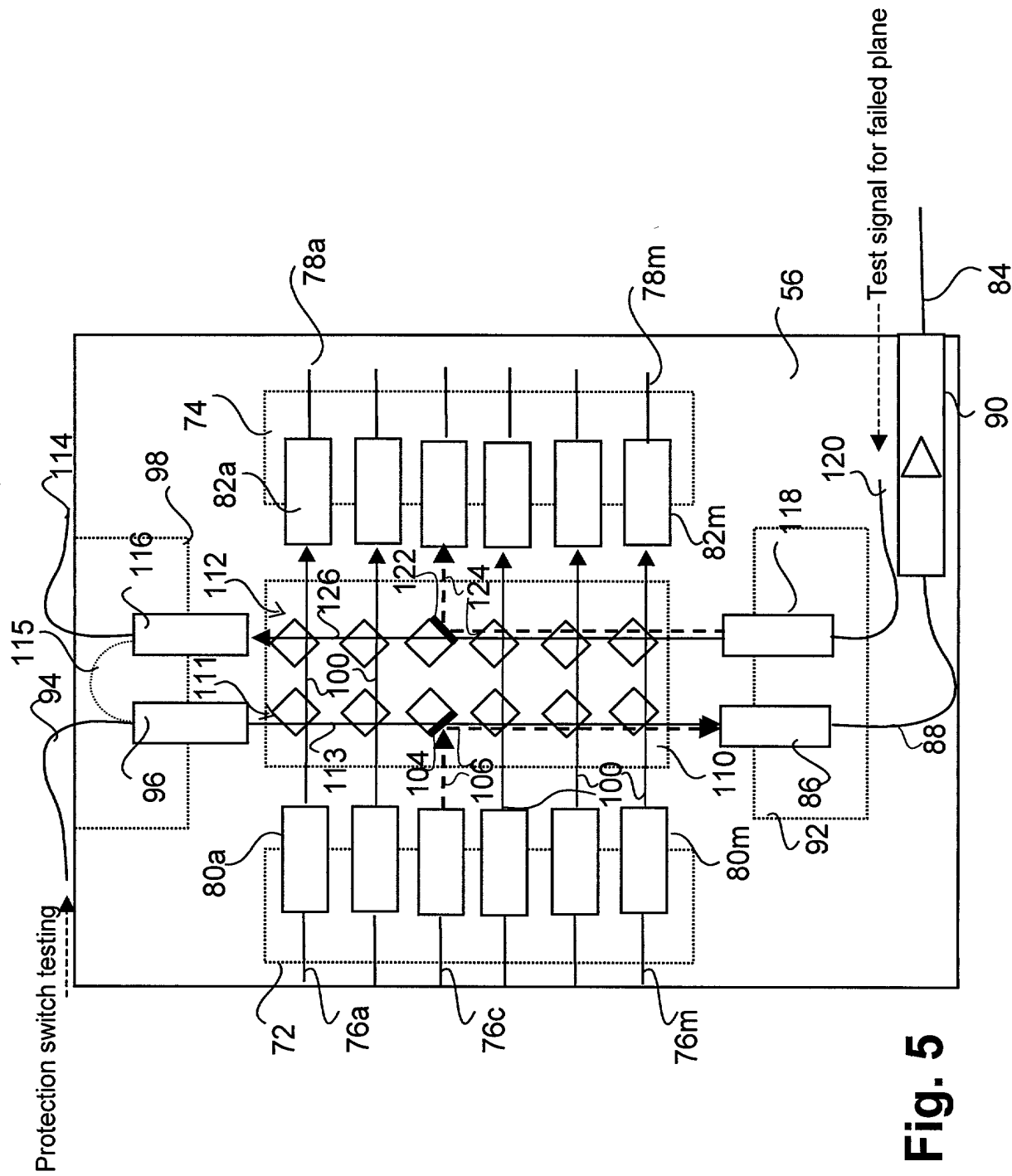


Fig. 4



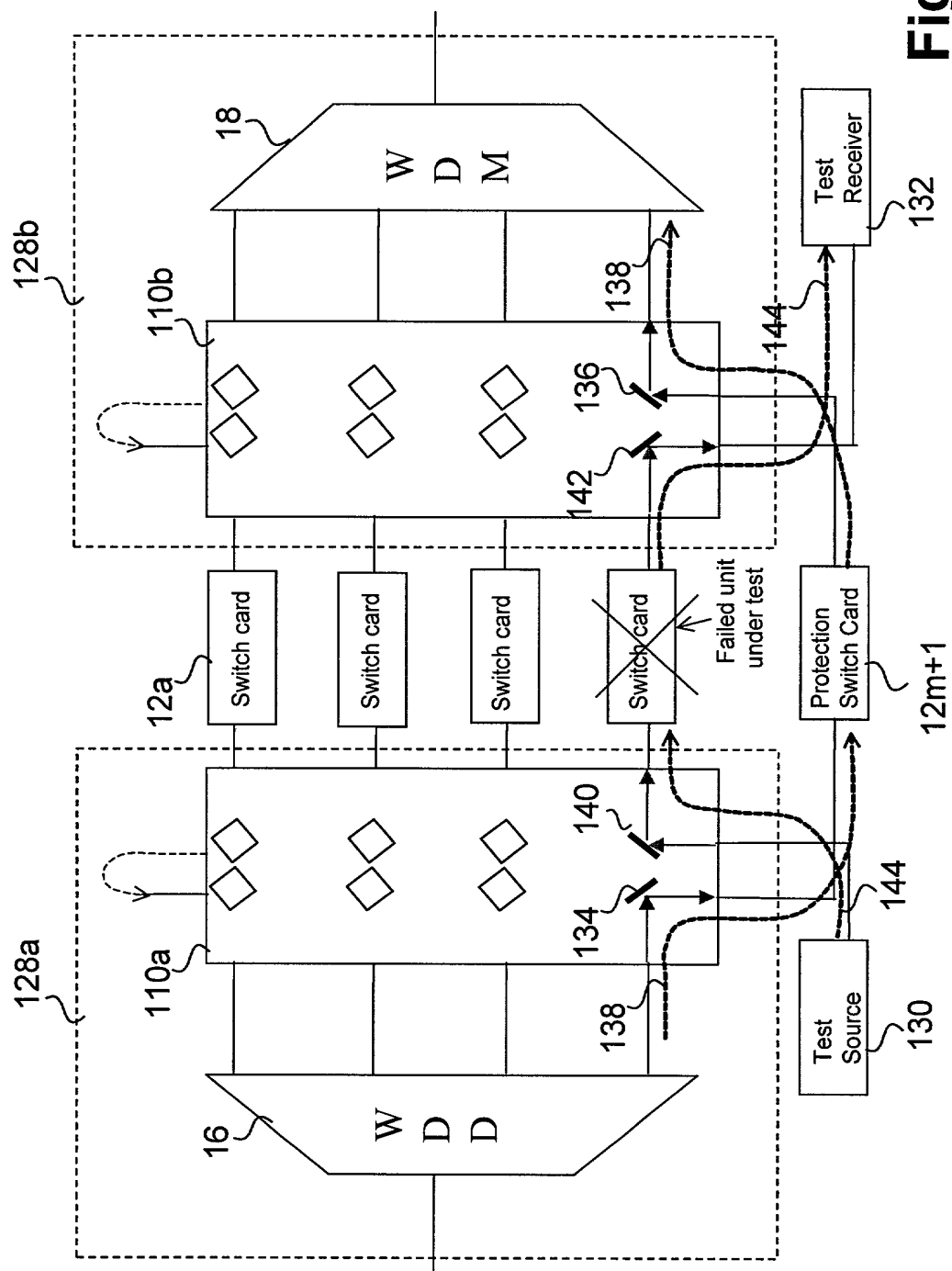


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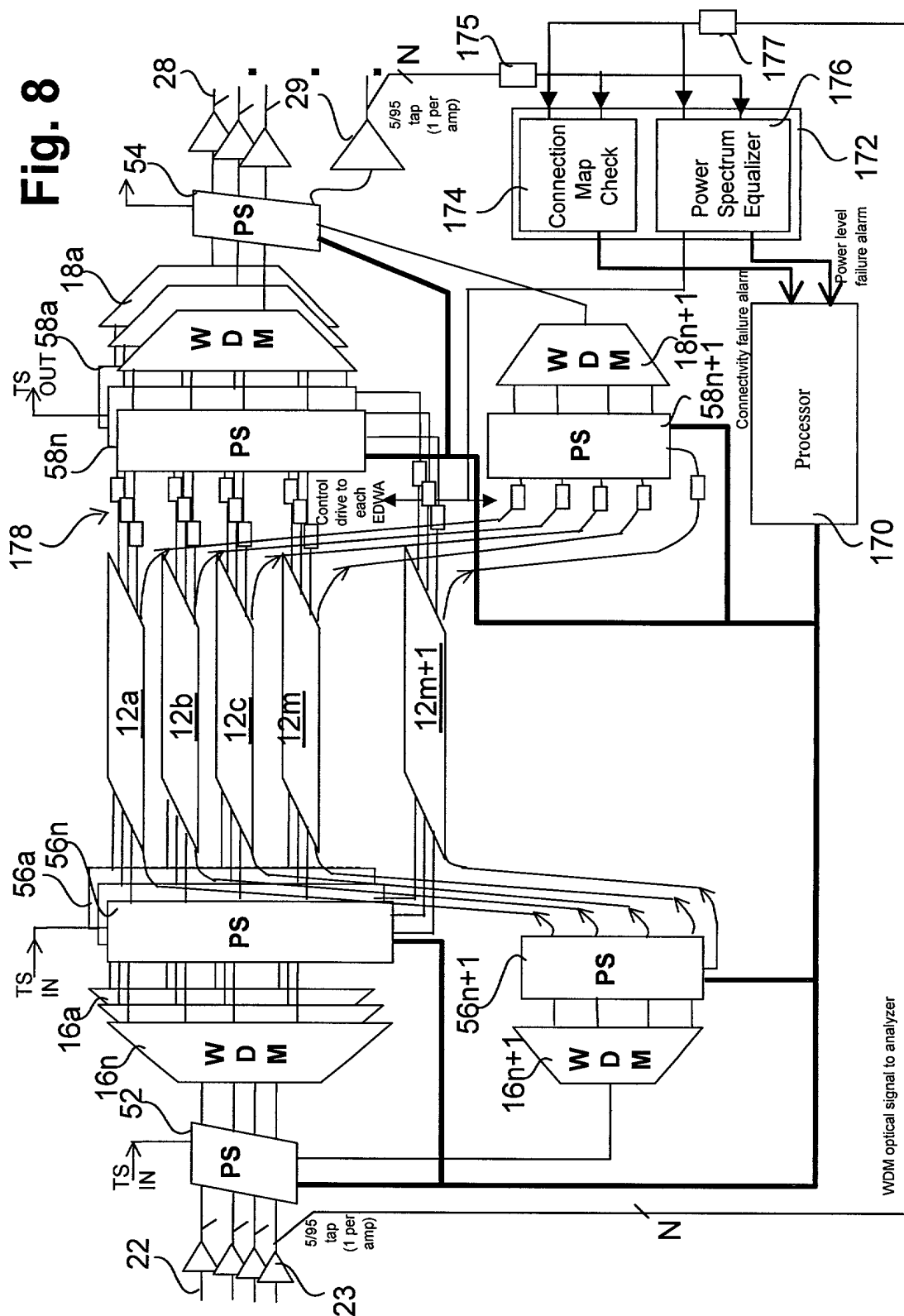


FIG. 9 is a schematic diagram of a multi-stage optical switch system. The system includes a Wavelength Converting Switch (14) at the input, which directs light into a series of λ Group Plane Switches (184a, 184b, 184c, 184d) and λ Plane Switches (196a, 196b, 196c, 196d). The light path is controlled by a series of mirrors (182, 185, 186a, 186b, 186c, 186d) and a series of fiber plane switches (200, 202, 204). The system is designed to route light from an input (200) through multiple stages of switching to an output (186m). The diagram shows a complex arrangement of optical components, including mirrors, switches, and waveguides, all labeled with reference numerals.

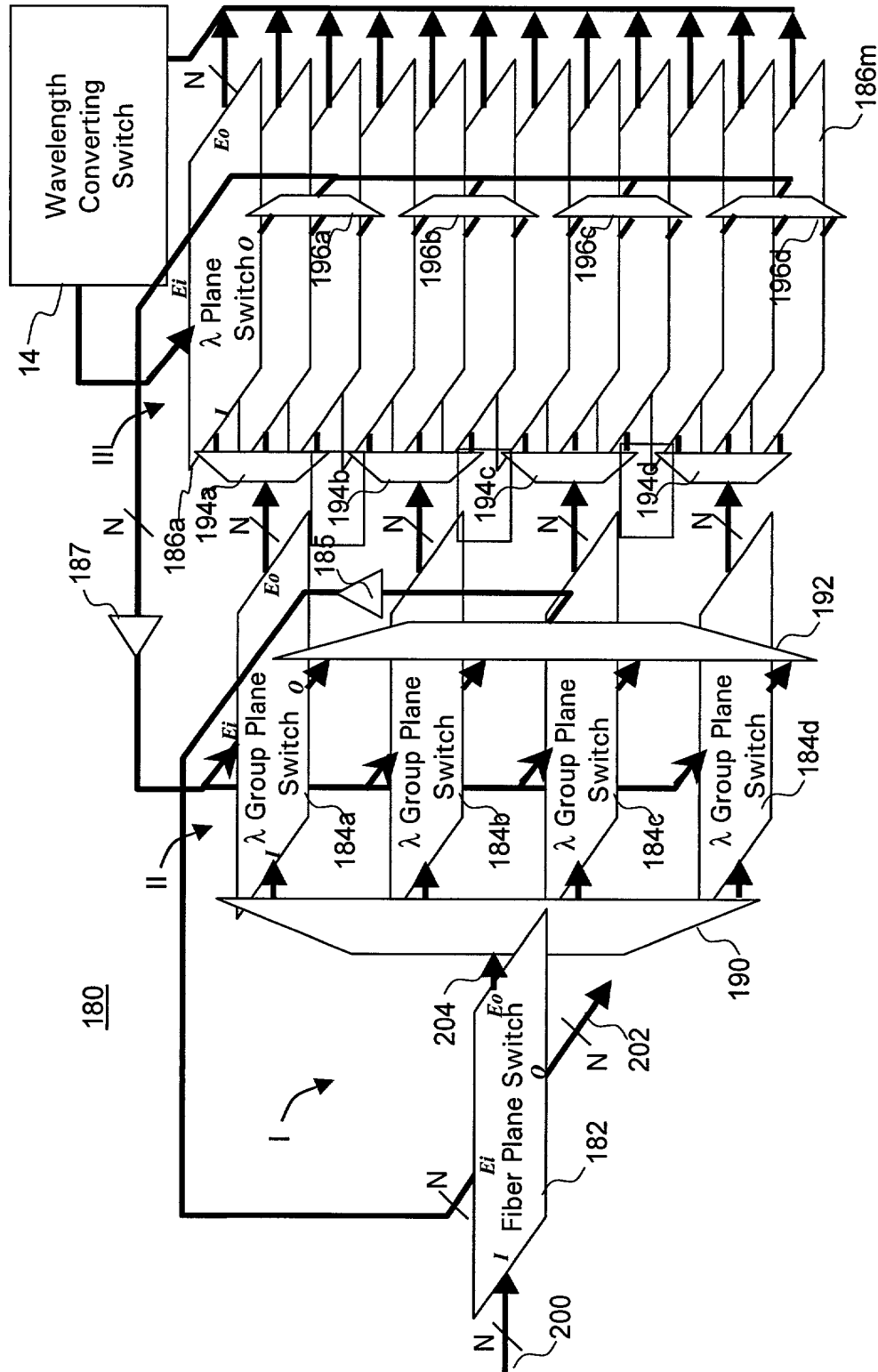
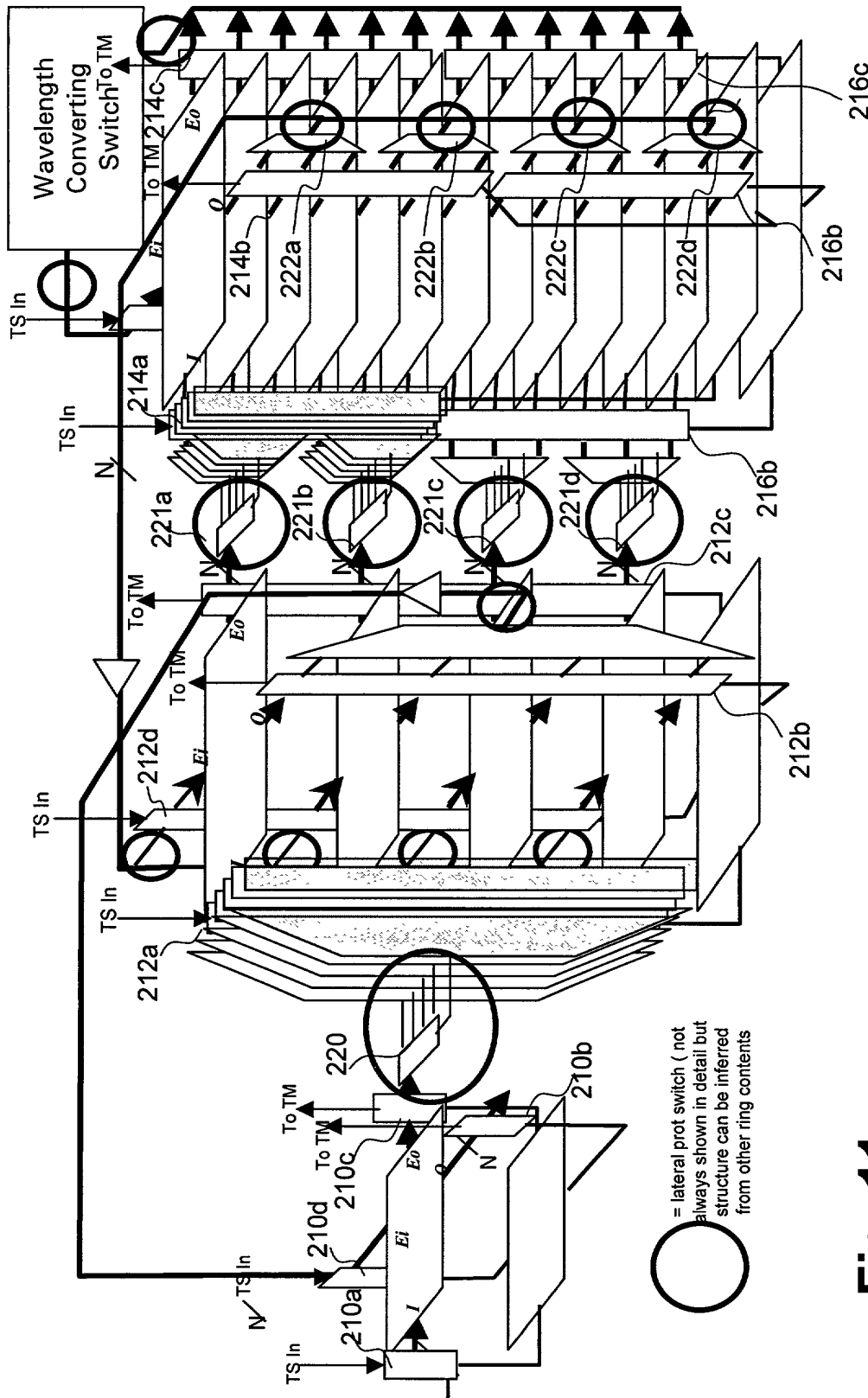


Fig. 9

FIG. 11 is a schematic diagram of a multi-stage optical switch system. The system includes a Wavelength Converting Switch (214C) and a series of optical components (210a, 210b, 210c, 210d, 212a, 212b, 212c, 212d, 216a, 216b, 216c, 216d, 220, 221a, 221b, 221c, 221d, 222a, 222b, 222c, 222d) arranged in a cascaded configuration. The diagram shows the flow of light through the system, with various input and output ports labeled (e.g., TS In, To TM, Ei, Eo). The system is designed to perform wavelength conversion and switching operations.



○ = lateral prot switch (not always shown in detail but structure can be inferred from other ring contents

Fig. 11

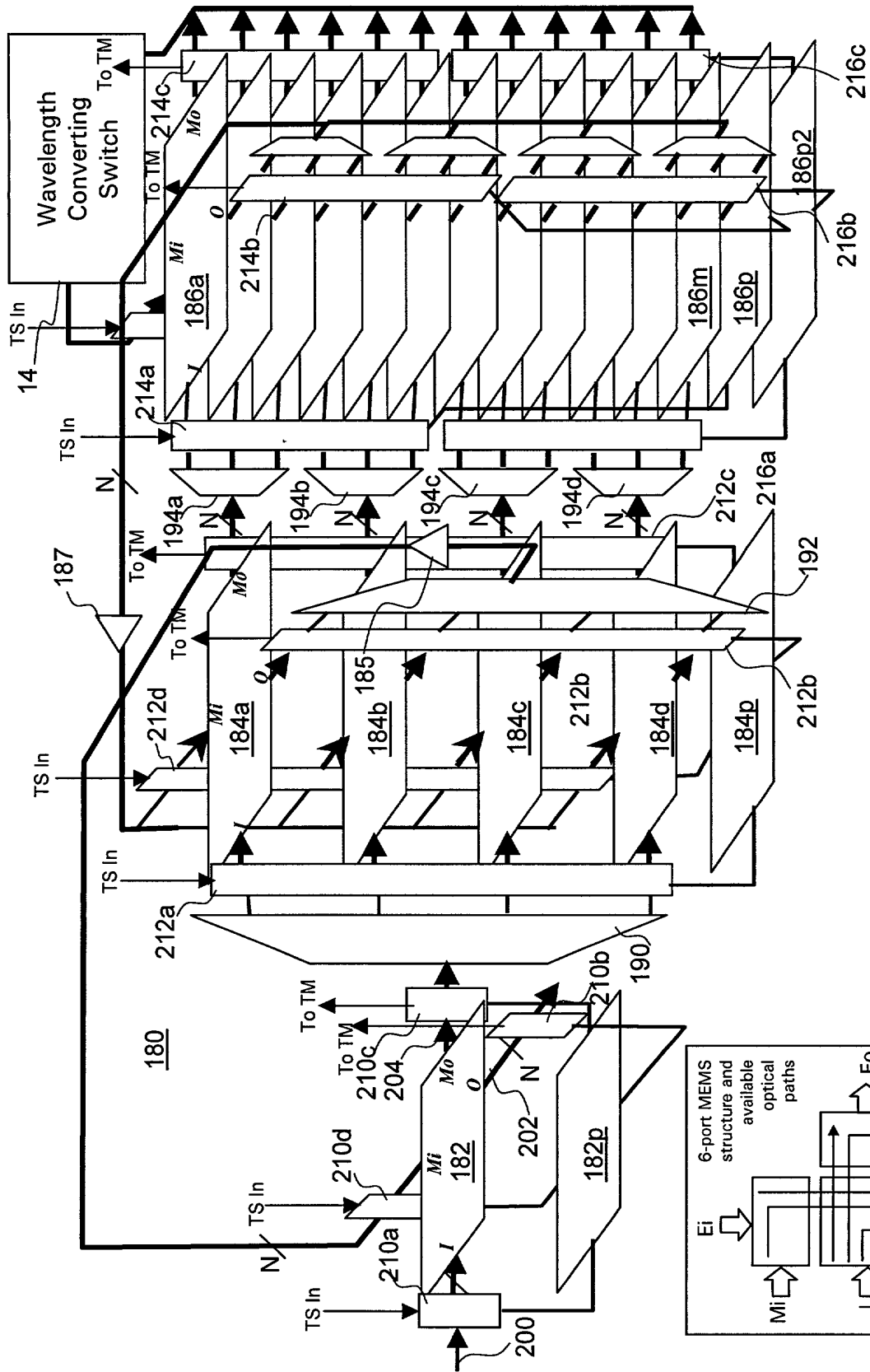


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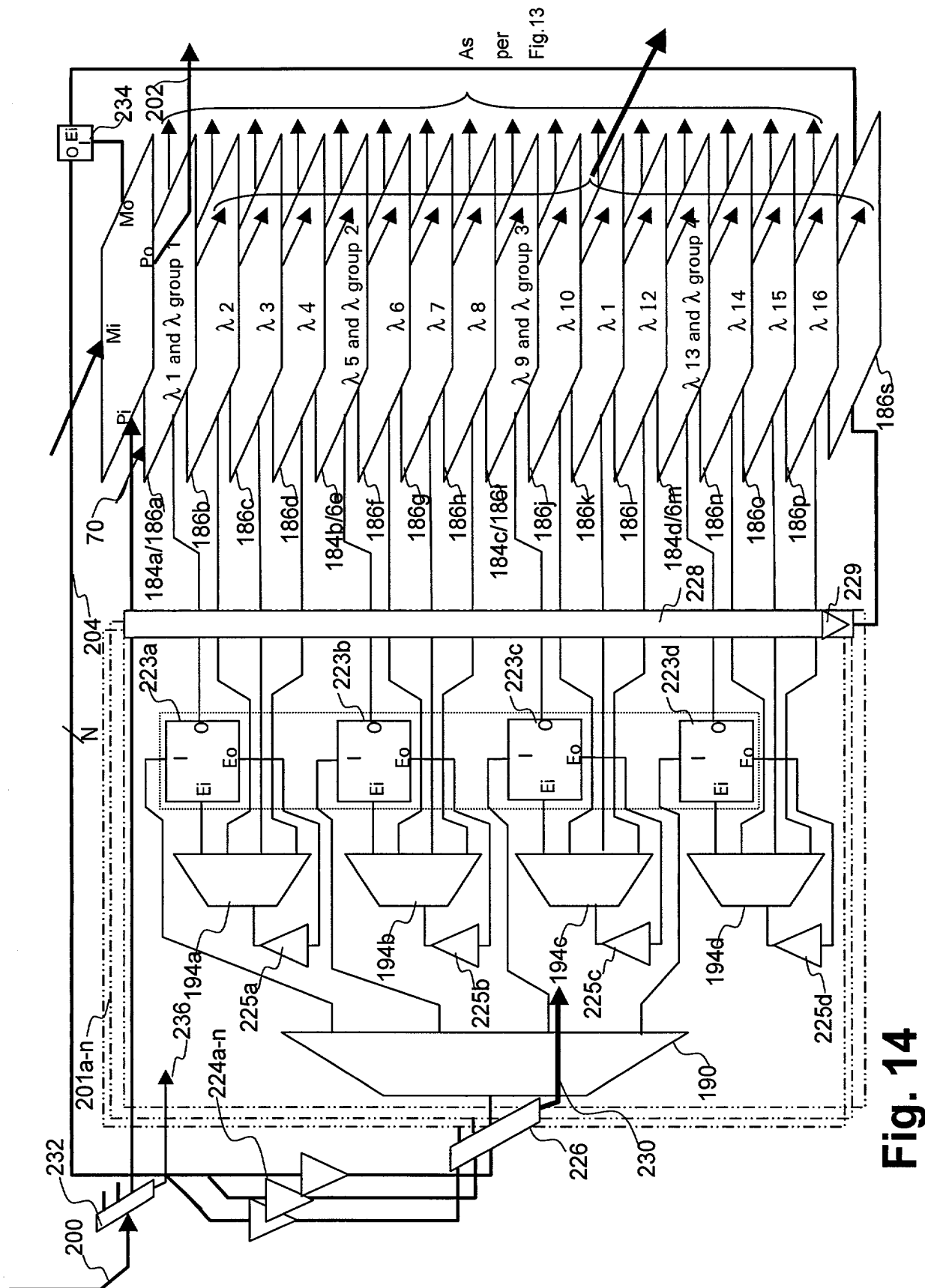


Fig. 14